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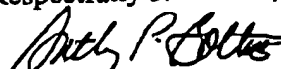
Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from Issue for the purpose of filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. This RCE is being filed in order to add further claims in the application to claim additional embodiments of the invention. The RCE and Amendment papers are being filed concurrently herewith by facsimile.

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are a Petition to Withdraw From Issue, a Request for Continued Examination, and an Amendment for the above-identified application.

Please acknowledge safe receipt of these papers by contacting my assistant, Sandra Moline, at (203) 798-4791.

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